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City of Sunshine and Flowers

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## Pear Cannery For Rogue Valley

The establishment of a huge pear cannery in the Rogue River valley, probably at Medford, is an imminent possibility. Libby, McNeil & Libby, the largest cannery operators in the world, will send Philip Larmon, their general manager, and Mr. Marrow, superintendent of their California plants, to the valley this week to arrange preliminary details for the establishment of a pear cannery for the coming season, providing the assurance of sufficient tonnage for the season can be secured. The Libby people will pay \$30 a ton, run of orchard, f. o. b. plant, and some of the prominent fruit men are quoted as stating that this price is better than a dollar a box net to the grower and saves the expense of packing, shipping and refrigerating and the ever-present liability of a poor market. The establishment of the cannery will put pear growing on an absolutely solid and substantial business basis.

This good news was brought to Medford Friday by County Commissioner Frank H. Madden on his return from Seattle, where he interested Libby, McNeil & Libby. This year the concern erected a cherry cannery at The Dalles. They own in California pineapple, asparagus, peach and pear canneries and in Alaska salmon canneries.

## Mohair Pool Brings Total of \$4,800

Approximately \$4,800 in cold hard cash was paid to the Angora goat raisers of this vicinity last Saturday afternoon for the mohair produced this year. The price paid was \$42.55 per hundred pounds and is a top-notch price for mohair, ranging higher than the prevailing price in the east. The hair was pronounced to be of extra fine quality.

Ten thousand pounds of mohair was sold, being the pooled product of the goatmen. This pool represents all but a few small lots of the mohair grown in the valley this year. The goatmen represented in the pool were C. W. Banta and sons, Davis and sons, Don Williams and H. S. Holt, J. N. Dennis, representing the Theo. Bernheim Company of Portland, submitted the high bid in the open auction held at the freight depot Saturday. J. M. Williams of the Taylor Williams Company of Jacksonville and Louis Werth, representing Morris & Co. of Portland, also bid on the mohair.

## Big Addition To Oregon Hotel

Plans have been drawn for an addition to the Hotel Oregon which will cover approximately 40 by 140 feet and be two stories in height. The addition will be an extension on the east end of the hotel to Pioneer avenue and down Pioneer avenue to the alley at the rear of the hotel property.

The arcade across the front of the hotel will be extended to the corner. The addition will be built of concrete. The entire lower floor will be given over to an immense garage which it is rumored will be occupied by F. L. Camps. Facing on Main street will be a display room 43 by 33 feet.

The garage proper will have a floor space of 40 by 104 and will have an entrance on Pioneer avenue. This will give an immense storage space and workshop room.

The second story will be divided into seventeen spacious rooms with baths. First class in every particular, making a fine addition to the hotel equipment.

The contract has not been let and plans are still in rather an embryonic state, but the erection of the addition seems assured.

## Train Changes Take Effect Soon

Effective April 20, the following changes will be made in passenger train service:

No. 13 will arrive at 11 a. m. instead of 11:35, departing at 11:15 a. m.

No. 53 will arrive at 11 p. m. instead of 3 a. m. and depart at 11:15 p. m.

No. 54 arrives at 6:40 p. m. instead of 6:20 p. m. and departs at 7 p. m.

## Bowers Is Delegate To State Conference

At the meeting of the Jackson County Taxpayers' League held Wednesday afternoon at Medford, J. A. Westerlund of Medford and Benton Bowers of Ashland were elected delegates, with J. H. Carlin and E. M. Wilson alternates, to the state conference to be held in Portland April 22, for the purpose of organizing a state league.

Discussion of matters affecting roads and other conditions in the county were freely entered into. The matter of issuing a league bulletin has not been fully determined, although the sentiment is strongly in favor of securing verified information and giving it due publication to taxpayers of the county.

## Church Workers Will Take Census

There will be no cottage prayer meetings this week, the religious workers of the city foregoing other activities and centering upon taking a religious census of the city. The city will be divided into forty-three districts and committees from the churches will make a house to house canvass on Tuesday and Wednesday. The church preference, number in the family, number of children attending Sunday school and other data will be obtained. The evangelical party will arrive Tuesday evening from Klamath Falls and will be housed at the Swigart residence during their stay in Ashland.

## Juniors Take Meet From School

The junior track meet held Friday at the high school athletic field was a grand success in every way. The only drawback to the day whatever was that it rained some and was rather cold. This probably made the average time in the races higher than it would have been had it been warmer. Much new material was listed in the meet and some of it will probably develop into very good track men. It is hard to pick out any particular star, but probably Lowe was about the best all-around contestant. Abbott was not far behind him and was by far the best in the races. He took the half mile by about half a lap and did almost as well on the others in which he ran. Slack ran a very pretty long-distance race. The juniors challenged the school and, as is usually the way in a case like this, got away with it. The final score was 84 to 43 in favor of the juniors. The score was counted five points on the first place, three on the second and one on the third. The contestants in the events were as follows: Those marked with a J represented the juniors, those marked S the school. The first three contestants in each event finished in the order in which they came:

50-yard dash: Radifer S, Winne S, Lowe J, Brower J, Buck J, Cunningham J, Slack S.  
440-yard dash: Lowe J, Bryant J, Harris S, Gunther S, Warren.  
High hurdles: Badger S, Harris S, Buck J, Holmes J. Badger was the only one in this event who qualified.

Mile: Slack S, Brower J, Phipps S, Fraley S, Ashcraft S, Holmes J, Warren J.  
Low hurdles: Buck J, Cunningham J, Brower J, Harris S, Winne S, Phipps S.

Half mile: Abbott J, Slack S, Summers J, Lowe J, Gunter S, Reigel S, Fraley S.  
Shot-put: Lowe J, Furry J, Young S, Badger S, Phipps S, Cunningham J.

Javelin: Lowe J, Cunningham J, Young S, Harris S.  
100-yard dash: Abbott J, Winne

S. Brower J, Fraley S, Cunningham J, Buck J, Holmes J, Radifer S.  
Broad jump: Lowe J, Furry J, Jones J, Loud S.

High jump: Jones J and Lowe J tied for first place, Winne S, Randall, Young S, Furry J.  
220-yard dash: Abbott J, Lowe J, Slack S, Bryant J.

Discus: Young S, Radifer S, Bryant J, Phipps S, Badger S.  
Pole vault: Cunningham J, Summers S, Reigel S and Finneran J tied for third, Randall.

Relay race: Abbott J, Buck J, Brower J, Lowe J, Summers S, Young S, Badger S, Winne S.

The time or distance made by the first place in each of the above events was: 50-yard, 6.1; 440-yard, 1:10; high hurdles, 14.01; mile, 5.06; low hurdles, 13; half, 2:10; shot-put, 29 ft. 5 in.; javelin, 101 ft. 11 in.; 100-yard, 11; broad jump, 17 ft. 5 1/2 in.; high jump, 4 ft. 11 1/2 in.; discus, 75 ft. 2 in. No time was taken for the 220-yard dash and the pole vault was not measured.

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## Map of Yosemite National Park

The Department of the Interior has issued a new automobile map combined with a copy of the regulations of the Yosemite national park. These are being distributed by the department free of charge. The maps show all of the points of interest and routes for reaching them in the park. Any autoists contemplating a visit to Yosemite should obtain a copy.

## \$10.00 REWARD.

The Springs Water Commission will pay TEN DOLLARS REWARD for evidence to convict persons who tamper with cup vendors, pull flowers or shrubs, stone squirrels or commit other depredations in Lithia Park. Lithia Park was constructed for the pleasure of the people and the commission is determined that depredations shall cease. There is little use of spending money beautifying the place unless citizens take pride enough in it not to destroy it. It is the duty of citizens seeing persons commit depredations there to promptly identify the miscreant and notify the police, so that he may be promptly apprehended and convicted.

Pulling flowers and shrub blossoms in Lithia Park and the Ashland canyon is strictly prohibited by ordinance. Persons violating that ordinance will be apprehended and fined the limit. The park cannot be made beautiful unless people let the flowers alone. They were not put there to be picked by citizens.

## Schoolmasters' Club At Eagle Point

The Jackson County Schoolmasters' Club will meet at Eagle Point on Saturday, April 22. The following is the program for the day:

10 a. m.—"Biology as a Unifying Basis of General Science," G. M. Ruch, Science Department, Ashland high school.

11 a. m.—"The Place of Manual Training in the School Course," H. H. Wardrip, principal Grants Pass high school.

11:30 a. m.—Question box.  
12 m.—Recess.

1:30 p. m.—Entertainment by local talent.

2 p. m.—"The Value of Athletics from a Superintendent's Point of View," V. Meldo Hillis, superintendent Medford school.

2:45 p. m.—Address (to be announced later).

G. W. AGER, Secretary Southern Oregon Schoolmasters' Club.

## H. T. Elmore Buys In with Monte Briggs

H. T. Elmore of Augusta, Maine, has purchased the interest of F. J. Shinn in the Briggs & Shinn shoe store, and took possession this morning. He is a brother-in-law of J. H. Fuller of Talent. He has a family consisting of wife and three children, who will take up their residence in Ashland. His father-in-law, Mr. J. E. Fuller, of Augusta, Maine, and wife will move here as soon as their property there can be disposed of. Mr. Elmore was engaged in the wholesale grocery business in Maine. He comes well recommended as a live business man, and the combination with Monte Briggs insures a live, progressive firm.

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## TOMORROW IS LAST DAY TO REGISTER.

Tomorrow is the last day to register. If you have not already registered, and a big portion of the citizens of Jackson county have so far neglected that important duty, attend to it the first thing in the morning. You cannot vote if you do not register before tomorrow night.

A recent and wise legislature amended Oregon's election laws so that voters would have to register before April 18 of this year, or not vote. The exceptions to this are few and far between. People who get their final citizenship papers between April 18 and September 8 may register in the period between September 8 and October 7, as may also voters who become of legal age during that period, or who will become of legal age before November 7. But for all the rest of us APRIL 18 IS THE LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER BEFORE THE PRIMARIES.

## Hotel Oregon Opens This Week

All but two of the rooms on the second floor of the remodeled Hotel Oregon are ready for occupancy and all but six of the rooms on the upper floor. These will be finished in a day or two. Manager Dobbins states that he will be ready to provide sleeping quarters for his friends tomorrow. The dining room will be opened next Sunday and an Easter dinner served. The formal opening will be held at a date to be announced later after the hotel is completely finished and running smoothly. A committee from the Commercial Club and representatives of other organizations will join in making the formal opening a gala affair.

The rooms of the hotel are finished and furnished in a most delightful manner. Rich carpets, oak dresser, tables, chairs, etc., heavily white enameled iron bedsteads, dainty curtains, artistic electric lighting fixtures, the best of linen and equipment, hot and cold water in all the rooms and private baths, etc., in several, roomy clothes closets and, in fact, everything provided in the highest class hotel. Ashland now has a hotel to which the citizens may be proud to send anyone.

The barber shop is moving their equipment into their new quarters. The lobby and drawing room are receiving the finishing touches and a few days will see the hotel completed internally.

The cement stucco is being applied to the colonnade columns and walls and the brickwork will be painted a cement color with waterproof paint. The roof will be painted green.

At the rear the old barn and sheds have been torn down and an alley put through. A cement retaining wall has been built between the hotel lot and the alley and is reinforced with steel and of sufficient strength to support the walls of an annex.

## DEPOT DOINGS.

Johnny Harrell left last week for Mina, Nev., where he will accept the position of stationary engineer. F. G. Allard, former roundhouse foreman at Ashland, is the head squeeze at Mina. Ed Dews is at Mina, holding down the day hostler job.

A reduction in the size of the cars used in the railway postal service between San Francisco and Ashland has been ordered by Jesse S. Roberts, superintendent of the railway mail service. The cars are now 40 feet long and are considered too large by Roberts.

The Lithia water fountains at the depot make a big hit with visiting officials and with the passengers on the trains as well.

Brakeman G. N. Pugh of the Southern Pacific was killed Saturday near Anlauf when the jar resulting from the sudden stop following the breaking of an air hose threw him from the top of the train, beneath the wheels. Fifteen cars passed over the body. Pugh has been a Southern Pacific brakeman for sixteen years and was a member of the Railway Trainmen. He leaves a widow, two children at Roseburg, father, two brothers and a sister.

## Old-Timer Visits Ashland

Friday evening Superintendent Dyer of the Sacramento division of the Southern Pacific, together with his wife and two children, viewed Lithia Park in company with Superintendent Metcalf and wife. Mr. Dyer was formerly superintendent of this division, having changed to the Shasta division about five years ago. He was much surprised and pleased at the great changes in Ashland since he left. Most of our paving, most of the building above the Mills property and all of our park development has been accomplished since his departure. He was especially struck with the park and remarked on its natural beauty and splendid development along natural lines.

## Senator Burton At Medford Tonight

Senator Burton of Ohio, candidate for the nomination on the republican ticket for president, will pass through Ashland this evening and will speak at the Natatorium at Medford at 8 p. m.

Senator Burton is one of the leaders in the United States senate, has been very prominent in the councils of the republican party in the nation, as well as in Ohio, is a prominent candidate for the nomination of president and is a splendid speaker. His name will be one of those on the Oregon ballot this year.

## Billie Burke in "Peggy" This Week

The premier moving picture attraction of the year, Billie Burke in "Peggy," has been secured by Manager Bergner of the Vining Theatre for Ashland ahead of all the towns in the valley and will be shown on Thursday and Friday of this week. This is the biggest attraction ever thrown on the local screen. "Peggy" has been showing for weeks in Portland at the Columbia Theatre and broke all records for attendance there as it has in the big cities of the east. The Vining eight-piece orchestra will play on both Thursday and Friday nights, special music accompanying the picture. This is a production no Ashlander can afford to miss.

"Peggy" received more space in the Portland papers during the weeks the play was showing than did Villa. The winsome idol of the stage is said to be simply irresistible in the Scotch play story.

In Portland the manager of the Columbia Theatre was arrested because the crowds which came to see Billie Burke blockaded the streets. In Spokane the picture showed for six weeks to unprecedented crowds. In Oakland the theatre manager ran "midnight matinees" to accommodate the crowds. It is undoubtedly the "one picture" of the year.

The story of "Peggy" is that of a member of the Scottish clan of Cameron, plunged in the midst of New York revelry, who is ordered to Scotland by her uncle and guardian, a role masterfully handled by William H. Thompson. The hoydenish lass invades the Sunday sanctity of the Scotch village and shocks the natives by traveling on Sunday and breaking automobile speed records. She further outrages the feelings of her stern guardian by donning overalls to tinker with her car, and then, in a sack suit of her cousin's, journeys forth into the night, is caught in a storm, and takes refuge in the village tavern. A delightful fairy tale is woven into the story, while a flash of tragedy is introduced through an affair between Cameron's son, Colin, and the weaver's daughter. Peggy decides to return to America after bringing the couple together, but the minister (William Desmond) persuades her to remain as his wife.

## Hairdressing Parlor To Open

Mrs. C. D. Wineland will open a hairdressing, manicuring and millinery parlor at 71 North Main street this week. Mrs. Wineland is an experienced artist in her lines, coming originally from Detroit, Mich. A complete line of accessories will be carried and equipment installed for doing the highest class work.

## May Electrify S. P. Over Siskiyou

Electrification of the Southern Pacific railroad over the Siskiyou is being considered by the Southern Pacific officials, and two surveys have been made by the company engineers completely covering the project. A. H. Babcock, chief electrical engineer of the company, testified before the California state railroad commission Friday that both the Siskiyou electrification and the electrification of the Southern Pacific lines over the Sieras was feasible. Negotiations have already been entered into with the California-Oregon Power Company for power.

The cost of the electrification of the Siskiyou would be enormous, but trains could be taken over the grades at a very small proportion of the present cost when completed. Ashland would most likely be the northern terminus of the electrical unit of the road, and should it be accomplished a complete upheaval in railroad circles here would result.

The California-Oregon Company is putting in electrical units on the Klamath river and at Fall creek which will develop more current than can be used commercially in their territory for years to come, and that their intention is to provide a source of supply for the electrification unit seems most possible.

## Ames Will Manage Duluth Boat Club

A. S. Ames, proprietor of the Packard Interurban truck service which operates between Central Point and Ashland, has gone to Duluth, Minn., where he assumes the management of the Duluth Boat Club. Mr. Ames has a host of friends in the valley who regret seeing him leave. He was secretary of the Duluth club before coming to the Rogue River valley and has kept in close touch with rowing events during his stay in Jackson county. The Duluth Herald states:

"Albert Ames, a former member of the Ames-Barnes Grain Company and secretary of the Duluth Boat Club for a number of years, will return to Duluth April 15 and assume general charge of the boat club. The national regatta will be staged by the Duluth club during the present season, and Mr. Ames' duties will be to run the club end of the big meet. James E. Ten Eyck will be the promoter of the regatta, it has been announced. Mr. Ames, when secretary of the club, was one of the hardest working officials the organization ever had. Not only this, but he was most cordially liked by every member of the club."

## Remove Slides On Siskiyou Grade

Travel over the Siskiyou Highway has been made difficult in one spot by the presence of a huge slide which made a rough detour necessary. The state highway department sent District Highway Engineer T. M. Davis down to superintend the removal of the slide. Mr. Davis has been overseeing the work of a crew of men at the scene of the slide, and now has things pretty well cleared up. He was a visitor to the city the last of the week, returning to the mountain again Thursday.

A number of smaller slides will soon be repaired, but until the earth above the newly constructed highway settles there are liable to be recurrence of slides. The crew of men at work is making the detention walls more secure in dangerous spots.

## Gardner Replies To Strictures

To the Medford Mail Tribune: Relative to the registration matters of which you have been so freely attacking me, will say that I have been following the law according to the opinion of the attorney-general of Oregon, which is superior to the advice of the county attorney.

If the registrations have not been properly taken care of, why have you not had your county attorney bring mandamus proceedings and the matter could have been settled in a few days.

G. A. GARDNER.

Cliff Payne makes bookshelves.